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#### THE HARRISON CABINET.

Washington Politicians Spend the Time Talking About Thomas for the Navy.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Politicians and statesmen in Washington are completely at sea in regard to the composition of President Harrison's Cabinet. There was not much said on the subject at the Capitol today, and most of the speculation and comment was confined to Representative Thomas, of Illinois, who is mentioned as possible timber for the secretaryship of the navy. The talk about Thomas was renewed by an article in today's New York Sun, which tells why Senator Chandler is fighting Thomas's plans for a new steel cruiser. It says that Senator Chandler has a personal feeling against Thomas on account of the latter being on the House committee at a time when Congress took out of the former's hands, while he was Secretary of the Navy, supervision of the construction of new vessels. It is generally believed here to-night, that Captain Thomas is slated as Secretary of the Navy, and it is thought he will soon put in an appearance at Indianapolis. Thomas is a very popular man in Washington, and has been largely and heartily endorsed by men in both houses of Congress.

#### You Take Your Choice.

Washington Special.  
It is by no means an assured fact that Mr. Blaine is to be President Harrison's Secretary of State. Mr. Blaine, in speaking to a Philadelphia paper to-day, who was congratulating him on his prospective return to the premiership, said:

"Now, let me tell you. With all this newspaper talk, from what sources I know not, as far as I am concerned I have not had a line from General Harrison upon the premiership. I would not have anything to do with it. He has not conferred with me by correspondence, and I can say, upon my honor, that the subject of my official relations with the new administration have not been discussed."

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Baltimore Special.  
Col. Julian Allen, of Statesville, N. C., who has been in the city for several days in the interest of a Southern exposition that will be held the coming fall in some Northern city, to-day told a reporter of the American that while in Washington, recently, he had an extended interview with Mr. James G. Blaine, who is an intimate friend of some years standing. In many ways Mr. Blaine expressed his concern for the welfare of the South and his interest in its future. He convinced Colonel Allen that when he took his seat in President Harrison's Cabinet, he would prove as good a friend of the South as that portion of the country ever had. Mr. Blaine also spoke with freedom about his acceptance of the position of Secretary of the American Institute of Architects. The address, among other things, said: "Although the architect really is, in his superintendence of building, the agent of the owner, being his employee and looking to him for compensation for his labors, yet he should not forget that he is also an expert and umpire, who is expected to maintain always a judicial frame of mind and even hardened justice in all his decisions as between the owner and the contractor."

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A Good Word for Thompson.

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American Interests at Panama.

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General Notes.

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A reunion of paymasters of the army who served during the war of the rebellion will be held here at the Ebbitt House on March 5, 1889. The address of the secretary is Col. Thomas H. Gardner, 100 F street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

The Comptroller of the Currency to-day, advised the American National Bank, of New Orleans, La., to begin business with a capital of \$200,000.

The President, to-day, sent the following nominations to the Senate: Commodore Capt. John G. Walker, to be commander; Commander Silas Casey, to be captain; Lieut.-Com. James M. Forsyth, to be commander.

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Heavy Damage Suit Growing Out of an Assault—Thirteen-Year-Old Girl Convicted of Poisoning—State Press Association.

#### INDIANA.

John Sage Gets a Life Sentence for Participating in the Murder of a Child. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

MARION, Feb. 14.—The case against John Sage for accessory to the murder of a child, which has absorbed the attention of this and Blackford county the past three days, terminated to-day with a verdict of guilty, and the prisoner's punishment was assessed at imprisonment for life. Several members of the jury showed traces of the deepest emotion as the verdict was read. The prisoner, as well, was deeply affected. It is not improbable that the simple fact of John Sage's applying for a divorce last September will work a revolution all round. Had it not been for that, Eliza Sage, his wife, who assumed the entire burden, seven years ago, of drowning her child, would have gone on and borne alone the burdens of guilt and disgrace, until relieved by death, or, possibly, after long years, by a Governor's pardon. But Sage chose to prove himself a traitor to his paramour. The consequence is he goes to the penitentiary for life. The reopening of the case leads to a discussion of its merits, and sympathy is aroused for the woman who suffered in silence as long as her equally guilty lover was loyal. This sympathy has already taken a tangible and positive form. Each member of the jury who tried Sage thinks that Eliza Sage had been equally unjustly punished, and a favor executive clemency should be shown to her. Not only his willingness but his anxiety to sign a petition for a pardon, and it is not improbable that such a petition, with as many signatures as are wanted, will be presented to Governor Hoyt within the next two weeks.

Wants \$10,000 for Assault. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WABASH, Feb. 14.—A sensational damage suit was brought in the Wabash Circuit Court late to-night, the parties thereto being Dr. Claire, a traveling physician from Missouri, William McIlroy, a horse-buyer, of North Manchester, and Elmer McKinley, a young man in his employ. The plaintiff, Claire, says in his complaint that one night about two weeks ago while at North Manchester, he was beset by McIlroy and his stable hand, knocked down and terribly beaten. Dr. Claire, in his complaint, says that he was never before so badly hurt, and that subsequently he was chased down the Wabash Western railroad track to Newton Junction, three miles. For the injuries he claims that he is entitled to \$10,000. Claire claims that the provocation for the attack was a remark made by him reflecting upon the character of McIlroy. A State case against the latter is now pending.

Young Girl Convicted of Murder. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

LAFORTE, Feb. 14.—Mary Sowers, a girl thirteen years of age, pleaded guilty to the charge of murder in the LaPorte county Circuit Court to-day, and was sentenced by Judge Noyes to five years in the State Reformatory. The girl's father is in prison awaiting trial for the same crime, which was the murder, by administering arsenic, of an infant brother and sister.

The Democratic Work of Revenge. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SHELBYVILLE, Feb. 14.—The infamous work of the Democratic gang still goes on. William P. Fisher, a prominent Republican of Union township, was arrested, last night, by a double-fisted United States marshal, on the charge of violating the election laws. He gave bond in the sum of \$2,000, and was released on a surety. Mr. Fisher is entirely innocent of any wrong, as his neighbors and friends well know, but on account of being a Republican he has never been able to get on his feet. He is the victim of the malice of the Ray and Bailey gang.

Killing Dogs to Prevent Hydrophobia. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

COLUMBUS, Feb. 14.—Hydrophobia is prevalent to an alarming extent in various parts of southern Indiana. A few days ago an unknown mad dog made its appearance in the vicinity of Chambers, Jennings county, and before being killed it had bitten a child and several head of cattle and a mule. Three animals are showing unmistakable signs of hydrophobia, and several of them have already been killed. The disease is spreading in the neighborhood, and excitement runs high among the people of that locality.

Fell Twenty-Five Feet in a Mine. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

KNIGHTS OF L. L. E. No. Cornell, mine boss at No. nine, owned and operated by the Black Block Coal Company, fell from the top of open vein to the level vein, a distance of about twenty-five feet. His recovery is doubtful. This is the second accident of the same nature that has occurred at this mine, the other proving fatal.

Minor Notes.

After a long fight the saloons have gained a foothold in Sheridan.

A poultry association will be organized at Crawfordsville to-morrow.

Last week the Jay county recorder received suit against William P. Kirtland.

Sheridan boys have the largest fair next fall ever held in Hamilton county.

The store of A. C. Pearson, at Sheridan, was closed yesterday under an attachment for over \$2,000.

Samuel Mart, one of the pioneer residents of Grant county, died yesterday, aged seventy years.

Chaplain Brown Post, G. A. R., of Valparaiso, has adopted resolutions favoring a general pension bill.

Mrs. Naomi Lambeth, of Lafayette, has been in the service of the army for three years, and is now serving in the hospital at Fort Leavenworth.

Samuel Ruffin, of Brownsburg, Union county, is charged with sending obscene letters to the mails to the injury of a young lady.

A reward of \$1,000 is offered for the arrest of Charles Smith, the murderer under sentence of death, who recently escaped from the Posey county jail.

Francis Murphy, the temperance worker, is having a large attendance at his meetings in Anderson. He will make that place his headquarters for some time to come.

Wm. Watson, of Indianapolis, who recently broke into a freight car at Columbus, has been sent to the penitentiary for one year. His trial took place at Franklin.

John Shafer, living at Ovid, Madison county, has been arrested for stealing miscellaneous articles from the residence of James Windel. He was tracked in the freshly fallen snow.

Frank Wood, of Evansville, and E. E. Edmonds, of Vincennes, have agreed to run an eight-day race at Evansville, on Feb. 24, for a purse of \$500. A forfeit of \$100 has been deposited.

The breach-of-promise suit of Anna Stearns against Charles O. Hillstrom, of Chesterton, in which she asked \$5,000 damages, has been compromised by Hillstrom paying Miss Stearns \$450 and the cost of the prosecution.

Miss McManis, the lady whistler, of Indianapolis, was formerly a student at De Pauw University. She participated in a concert at Greencastle on Wednesday night, and was the subject of a complimentary notice in the Indiana Times.

The Misses Nutt, Joslin, Keating, Hanna, Sherman, Nelson and Mathias also took part in the program.

Samuel Steele, an old citizen of Spencer county, has been paroled after serving twenty years. Yesterday he felt a sharp

stab in it, and upon investigating the cause removed a piece of straw an inch long. When this was done his hearing returned, and the pain ceased. The straw was put to rest, notwithstanding its twenty years' imprisonment.

Fire at Princeton, yesterday morning, destroyed two two-story business-houses. The losses and insurance are as follows: Wm. Kurts, loss on building \$1,200; no insurance; Grace & Co., loss on stock \$1,300; insurance \$1,000; Valentine Beck, loss on buildings and stock \$3,000; insurance \$1,000; P. L. Humphrey, loss on apparatus \$500; no insurance; E. H. Hallett, loss on stock \$300; no insurance.

A grocery firm at Crawfordsville kept missing hams from the front of their store. The proprietors devised a plan to capture the thief. A string was tied to each ham, and led back to a paper placed near the desk. On Wednesday evening, one of the proprietors went toward the front door, and upon going to the door a man was seen running away. Two shots fired at him caused him to stop, and he was captured. The man was taken to the jail, and the action of the grocery firm.

The friends of Thomas Cushman, deputy-treasurer of Vermillion county, feel that an injustice has been done him by the publication of the statements that Wm. L. Porter, the defaulting treasurer, left all his business to his deputy. They say that, although Mr. Cushman was deputy under Mr. Porter, he could not have been in any way responsible for the difficulties. He has been auditor of Vermillion county two terms, and is one of the county's most respected citizens. Mr. Porter, they say, had entire charge of the office book-keeping.

#### ILLINOIS.

The State Press Association Adjourns After Electing Officers and Delegates.

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SPRINGFIELD, Feb. 14.—The Illinois Press Association closed its twenty-fourth annual session in this city to-day. They had a pleasant time and transacted considerable amount of business, all of which seemed to have been satisfactorily gone through with. The banquet held at the armory at night was a success in every particular, and attended by a large number of citizens besides the press. The forenoon session and a short session this afternoon was confined to finishing up the programme, electing officers, selecting delegates to the National Press Association, etc. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

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After the adoption of the customary resolutions, the session adjourned. After adjournment a number of the editors and their ladies were driven around and about the city.

#### Brief Mention.

Decatur has raised \$46,000 as an inducement to locate the State fair there.

Through the careless handling of a shotgun, a man was shot and killed near Elco.

Robert C. Patterson, a prominent politician and proprietor of the celebrated Patterson Springs, died at his home near Carmago on Wednesday.

An epidemic of measles, chicken-pox and scarlet fever at Belvidere has caused the closing of the public schools. Local physicians have never before known so much sickness among children as there is at present.

In the State Senate on Wednesday, Mr. Sheets's resolution for submitting to a vote of the Senate a constitutional prohibition amendment was lost by a vote of twenty-four to twenty—not the necessary two-thirds.

The winter in the vicinity of Mattoon has been so mild that the volunteer crop of oats which sprung up in stubble ground sown in wheat last fall has not been frozen out, and the farmers expect thereby to harvest a good crop. The pastures have been so bright and green that stock required only half the usual amount of winter food.

The Grand Council of Royal Templars of the State, in session at Bloomington, elected officers as follows: J. W. Wilson, of Kinmundy, councillor; N. O. Smyser, vice councillor; Mrs. A. A. Whitehead, of Waukegan, chaplain; Mrs. M. C. Moore, of Mount Vernon, past councillor; Charles Bradley, of Fairbury, secretary; John H. Crocker, of Fairbury, treasurer; A. P. Louis, of Springfield, herald; Mrs. V. S. Woods, of Danville, deputy herald; H. H. Crosby, of Chicago, guard; W. H. Nichols, of Carlyle, sentinel; Dr. N. H. Parsons, of Fairbury, chaplain; Mrs. V. S. Woods, of Danville, secretary; George C. Abbott, of Chicago; C. R. Robinson, of Kinmundy, trustees; J. W. Wilson, representative to both Supreme Councils; Charles Bradley, alternate.

#### Racing at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 14.—Following is a summary of the races here to-day:

First Race—Four furlongs. Starters: Macaulay, Breakdown, Dan Meeks, Lillie Dale, Grey Fox, Gabe C. Macaulay won in fifty-seven seconds; Grey Fox second, Lillie Dale third.

Second Race—Four and a half furlongs. Starters: Little Bess, No More, Sillock, Lamont, Florio, Little Bess won in 1:23-3/4; No More second, Sillock third.

Third Race—Five-eighths of a mile. Starters: Mollie Hardy, Joshua, Regardless, Golly, Henry Hardy. Regardless won in 1:13-3/4; Henry Hardy second, Mollie Hardy third.

Fourth Race—Seven-eighths of a mile. Starters: Mary Foster, Red Leaf, Hollywood, Mollie Hardy. Hollywood won in 1:34; Red Leaf second, Countess third.

It rained all the afternoon, and the track was heavy.

#### Obituary.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 14.—Dr. F. M. Urquhart, of the United States Marine Hospital service, died to-night of pneumonia, after an illness of seventy days. He had been in the service nearly twenty years, entering immediately after graduation from the Virginia University. His fatal illness was brought on from the effects of overwork in the yellow fever districts during the late Southern plague. Dr. Urquhart had charge of a quarantine station at Littleton, Fla., and was faithful in all his duties. He was offered relief, but would not accept it as long as he could do the work. He remains in the hospital, and will be buried to-morrow. The doctor was thirty-three years old and had been married but seven months.

#### Steamship News.

ROTERDAM, Feb. 14.—Arrived: Lero, from Baltimore.

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LONDON, Feb. 14.—The Belgian steamer Queen of the South, from New York, arrived to-day, having in tow the Cunard line steamer Samaria. The Samaria sailed from New York on Feb. 10, and was wrecked three hundred miles west of Queenstown as she broke her shaft. On Feb. 12 she was taken in tow by the Olbers. Sighted: Australia, from Boston, on Feb. 13, and returned to St. Louis on Feb. 14.

From Priest to Physician.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 14.—Quite a commotion has been created in Catholic circles by the resignation of Father Dougherty, of the St. Louis diocese, that he has renounced the priesthood and will locate in Chicago as a practicing physician.

David J. Dougherty was ordained by Archbishop Kenrick and located at Kirkwood, a St. Louis suburb, in 1868. From there he went to Kansas City, from that diocese he returned to St. Louis, and founded St. Thomas Aquinas Church here.

## THE KNIGHTS OF LABOR.

George Schilling's Work in Reorganizing the Discontented Assemblies.

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—A local paper says that, acting on the circular sent out from Philadelphia, several weeks ago, signed by a number of the so-called original members of the Knights of Labor, George Schilling, the well-known Socialist and labor agitator, has begun the work of reorganizing several discontented assemblies. The circular mentioned above was sent to the conference held at the Indianapolis convention. At this conference it was decided that the principal trouble in the order lay in the fact that it had departed from its original principles of secrecy and that the only remedy was a return to those principles. Schilling proposed a plan, which was agreed to. It was to the effect that local assemblies of the Knights all over the United States and Canada should, as far as possible, be induced to reorganize on the secret plan, throwing off affiliation with the general executive board and setting up under a modus operandi that should be unknown outside the order. A